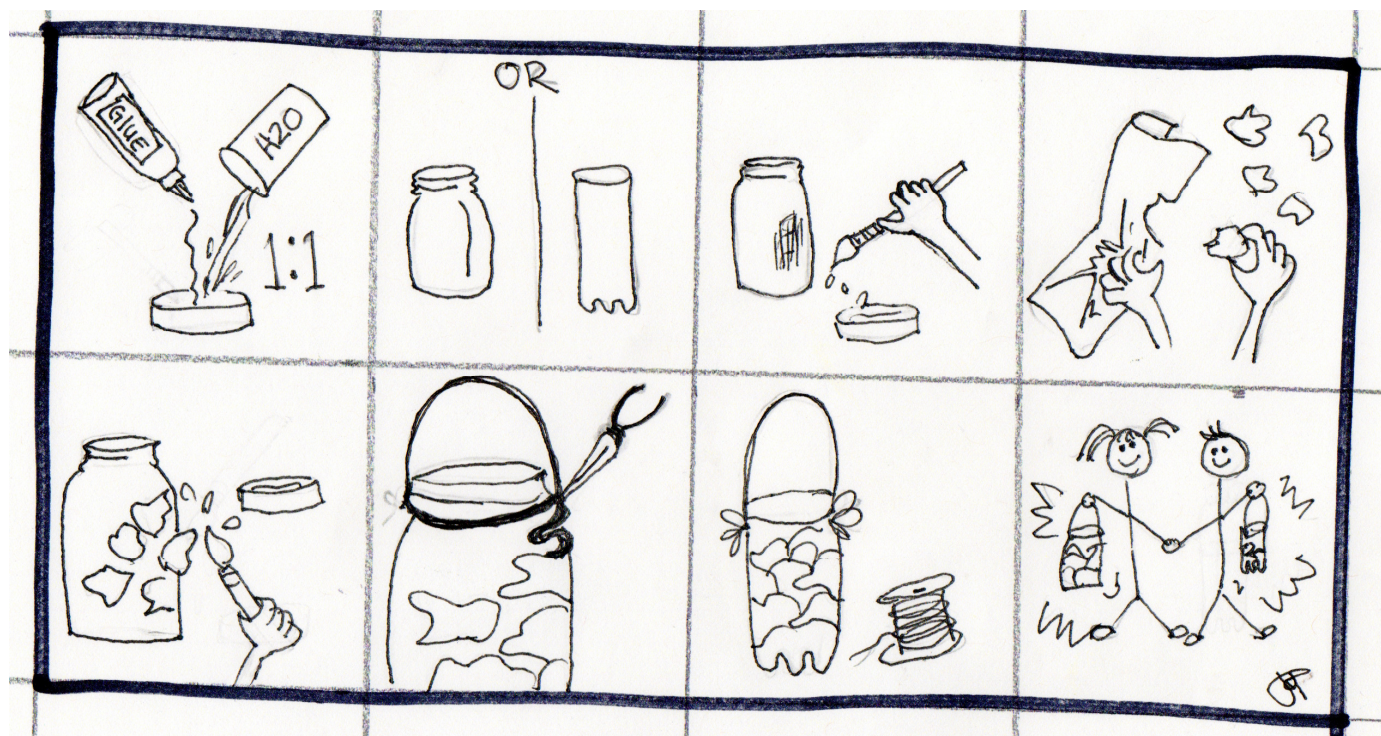


Make a Lantern from a Glass Jar or Plastic Bottle



Materials:

- Glue
- Glass jar or plastic bottle with labels removed
- Brush
- Colored tissue paper
- Opalescent glitter (optional)
- Scissors
- Wire for handle (Glass needs heavier wire: 16 or 18 gauge. Plastic can use lighter gauge; wire garland or ribbon also work well for plastic.)
- LED light or glow stick (only use a candle with glass, NOT plastic)

Instructions:

If you create a handle first, your lantern is ready to use even before it's dry!

- **If you are using a plastic bottle**, cut the top off using scissors or a knife and use a hole-punch to punch two holes on opposite sides of the opening to attach the wire for the handle, about ½ inch from the top of the lantern.. Cut a piece of wire (about 12") for a handle. Stick one end of the wire through a hole and secure it by wrapping the wire to itself. Stick the other end of the wire into the hole directly across the opening and wrap it.
- **If you are using a glass jar**, create a wire handle with 18 gauge wire. Cut a length about 36". On one end, make a small spiral, using needle-nosed pliers. Hold the spiral end under the lip of the jar and wrap the wire half way around the mouth. With the pliers, create a 90 degree bend in the wire. Bend the wire up, around and down, so it forms a handle to the other side of the jar, where the spiral is. Create another 90 degree bend and hook the wire through the spiral and complete the wrap around the lip. Hook the wire around the bend and secure by forming another spiral at the end of the wire.

To Decorate:

1. Dilute the glue with water; one part water and one part glue: ½ and ½.
2. Paint the surface of the jar/ bottle with watered-down glue.

3. Apply cut and/or torn pieces of colored tissue paper onto the (now sticky) jar/bottle
4. Brush a coat of the glue over the colored tissue paper decorations.
5. (Optional) While still wet, sprinkle with opalescent glitter.
6. Use an LED or glow stick to light your lantern. If your lantern is made of glass, you can use a candle. For safety, keep a box of baking soda with you to douse any flames.

Have Fun!

Questions? or e-mail us photos of your finished lantern! artsaglow@gmail.com